1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
22	Tamil Nadu	20264.72	0.00	251.86	659.49	425.36	21601.43
23	Tripura	1832.67	2414.16	60.18	32.48	21.55	4361.04
24	Uttar Pradesh	74501.56	1026.74	669.91	1570.76	740.33	78509.30
25	West Bengal	30540.09	3246.09	239.45	775.22	419.00	35219.85
	TOTAL:	376318.01	35359.07	4972.63	10000.00	8255.69	434905.40

Filing of Income-tax returns by hospitals

3177. PROF. M. SANKARALINGAM: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have made any effort to find out those private hospitals and nursing homes which have not filed their Income-tax returns in different parts of the country including Delhi;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) whether Government would provide details of the CAG Report with regard to non-filing of Income-tax returns by such private hospitals and nursing homes?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI GINGEE N. RAMACHANDRAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Central Information Branch (CIB) of the Income Tax Department collects information regarding Private Hospitals and Nursing Homes as per CBDT Instruction No. 1943 dated 22.08.1997 and passes on the same to the Commissioners of Income Tax concerned for further necessary action.

The territorial Assessing Officers also collect information regarding ownership, assessment particulars, books of accounts, bank accounts, turnover, stock in trade, vehicles etc. u/s 133B of the Income Tax Act regarding all the commercial establishments including Private Hospitals and Nursing Homes operating in their territorial jurisdiction, from time to time.

(c) Not applicable in view of (a) and (b) above.

(d) The CAG Report (No. 12A of 2002) has already been placed before the House.

The observations made in para 3.7.1. regarding non-filing of Income-tax returns by private hospitals and nursing homes do not reflect the true state of affairs.

The list containing commercial names of the Hospitals/Nursing Homes has been primarily prepared from Municipal Records and Telephone Directories, whereas the Income-tax Records show names of assessable entities (Individuals/Firms/Trusts/Associations of Persons/Companies) having ownership of such Hospitals/Nursing Homes. Detailed verification/field enquiry in Delhi has shown that all the cases reported in the list are filing their tax returns except one case in which the reported Hospital/Nursing Home does not exist at the address given in the list. Similarly, 187 cases out of total 198 Private Hospitals/Nursing Homes in Jharkhand are assessed to tax. Similar results have been reported after verification from different parts of the country namely Haryana, Uttar Pradesh, Rajasthan, Maharashtra, Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Goa, Assam, Punjab and Madhya Pradesh.

Inter-State Coordination Committee on Narcotics

3178. PROF. M. SANKARALINGAM: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that seizures made by the enforcement agencies have clearly indicated that India has now become a producing country for heroin;

(b) if so, the details in this regard and the efforts made by Government to curb opium drug trafficking; and

(c) the main decision taken at the Inter-State Coordination Committee meeting held at Narcotics Control Bureau on 23rd February, 2002?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI GINGEE N. RAMACHANDRAN): (a) The seizure reports